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Grant of scholarship under rule 32 of the Grant-in-Aid Code.

* 50 *Q.*—SRI M. ETHIRAJULU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance and Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of applications received for the grant of scholarship under rule 32 of the Grant-in-aid Code during the years 1952–53 and 1953–54 in St. Joseph's Branch High School, Tiruppapuliyur, South Arcot district;

(*b*) the number of those who were granted scholarships; and

(*c*) the number of recipients of scholarship from the Backward Classes?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM (on behalf of the Hon. the Minister for Finance and Education) :—" (*a*) Sixteen and 17, respectively.

" (*b*) Four and 6, respectively.

" (*c*) Nil. Presumably, the students from the Backward Classes would have availed themselves of the fee concessions admissible under rule 92 of the Madras Educational Rules."

SRI M. ETHIRAJULU :—" May I know, Sir, on what basis the concession is awarded? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I would like to have notice."

Sanction of permanent posts of Tahsildars and Deputy Tahsildars for South Arcot district.

* 51 *Q.*—SRI M. ETHIRAJULU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of permanent posts of Tahsildars and Deputy Tahsildars that have been sanctioned now for South Arcot district;

(*b*) the number of Tahsildars and Deputy Tahsildars of South Arcot district who have been reverted for want of vacancy now;

(*c*) the number of persons who have acted as Tahsildars stand reverted as clerks in 1953 in South Arcot district for want of vacancy;

(*d*) the reasons for such reversions in the grade of Tahsildars and Deputy Tahsildars in South Arcot district; and

(*e*) in which district the reversion is most acute in this State?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) Nine and five respectively.

" (*b*) Seven and twenty-two respectively.

" (*c*) Three.

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" (*d*) Due to the abolition of the posts of two Additional First-class Magistrates and Special Loans Tahsildars and the reversion of two Deputy Collectors as Tahsildars.

" (*e*) South Arcot in respect of Deputy Tahsildars and Malabar in respect of Tahsildars."

SRI M. ETHIRAJULU :—" May I know, Sir, whether the Government have any proposal to transfer the Tahsildars and Deputy Tahsildars who were reverted to other districts in the Revenue Department or to absorb them in such posts as Block-development Officers, Temple Executive Officers and Probation Officers? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Yes, Sir. There is a proposal to absorb them in other departments including the Labour Department and even by creating supernumerary posts."

SRI M. ETHIRAJULU :—" May I know, Sir, whether Government have any proposals to make Election Deputy Tahsildars permanent as was done by the Andhra Government? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, I cannot encroach upon the portfolio of my Hon. Colleague."

Application for loan to the Government by the Cuddalore Municipality.

* 52 *Q.*—SRI M. ETHIRAJULU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Cuddalore Municipality has been applying for loan to the Government annually from 1947 to 1953;

(*b*) if so, for what purpose and for what items the loan has been granted;

(*c*) whether the loan applied for by the municipality for the construction of a dhoby khana has been rejected by the Government; and

(*d*) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASWAMI PADAYATCHI :—" (*a*) The Municipal Council applied for loans from Government in 1950 and 1953.

" (*b*) The loans were for the following purposes :—

1950—Dustless surfacing the road from Cuddalore N. T. Railway level crossing up to the junction of Sanjivi Naidu street, Tirupapuliyur, and the Kothavalchavadi street.

1953—Dustless surfacing of certain roads, purchase of road roller and heat master, construction of elementary school buildings, provision of additional accommodation to the Municipal High School, construction of a Council Hall, improvements to market and bus-stand, extension of electric lighting scheme and provision of a dhoby khana.